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According to a letter from Vilis HAZMERS (see file # 1167) STAMERS has been suspected by members of the board of Daugavas Vēstis in Germany to have furnished addresses of Latvian refugees in Germany to Soviet repatriation organization. This letter was mailed in September 1955 in connection with the foundation of the new Latvian veterans' organization KIA (Latvijas Kara Invalidu Apvienība), and the belief is that the new organization was founded just to split the Latvian Veterans' Organization Daugavas Vēstis. There was no proof attached as to this suspicion, and the only clues are that Stamer was known to be in opposition to the present board of DV in Germany for several years, and in opposition unreasonable, opposing all and everything. Also the fact that the new organization has spent great sums in printing and distributing their appeal to join the new organization makes one ponder over the fact where these sums come from; also the travels of the chairman of the board of the new organization from Augsburg, Bavaria, to the North (Hamburg) are costly, and since the new chairman Jacobs (see card 616) is unemployed receiving unemployed persons' support from German government, again the question arises where the funds come from. It might be however that the new organization is sponsored by British, since almost all of the founders and board members live in the British Zone - Hamburg, Luebeck, Oldenburg. The reason given is the base for the new organization - relief work for invalids, does not sound convincingly since this relief work was done for 10 years by Daugavas Vēstis, so the reasons seem to be political ones, in one or other way. Attached to the file an article written by Karlis Stamer for the newspaper "Latvija Amerika" (printed in Canada), May 29, 1954, in which Stamer still praises the organization Daugavas Vēstis. This also shows that in the meantime there must have occurred something which made Stamer to become a fighter against DV through the new organization. Karlis Stamer is an invalid - one leg amputated, walks with a stick, and by his nature and probably due to the invalidity he is bitter, and such people are accessible to hate and destructive ideas. (S)

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